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the Lord But as Serving the
Devil.

"I have been very reluctant to make speeches during these weeks immediately preceding the national nominating conventions, because it is very difficult to make people understand that speeches at such a time are not of the ordinary political type made in the interest of some particular individual's candidacy. But I finally determined that I would come here to Michigan to say certain things which I believe should be said at this time. What I have to say to you will not be in the interest of any man, and least of all, of myself.

"It will not refer to the candidacy of any individual. It will not refer to the policy of any party, save as such party policy may, and ought to vitally concern the welfare of the nation. My speech will be devoted exclusively to certain great principles which should be fundamental in this giant democratic commonwealth of ours. Wherever I touch on an individual, it will be because I cannot make my meaning clear, save by speaking of individuals who embody or typify certain movements.

Reasons for Speech.

"I come here to Michigan because in the primary for the selection of delegates to the Republican national convention Mr. Ford was victorious, and following on his victory here he showed a marked popular strength in Nebraska and Pennsylvania. The great of this showing has been immediately visible upon many of the politicians within and without congress. One of the leading anti-preparedness, or peace-at-any-price papers in New York recently commented with great satisfaction upon the defeat in the lower house of congress of the proposal to increase our regular army



THEODORE ROOSEVELT

to \$250,000 men. This paper stated that originally the proposal was defeated by only 22 votes, but when the vote came up again 10 days ago it was defeated by 79 votes.

"It continues (I condense): 'Of these 22 votes, 11 were cast by Republicans, 49 being from the central west, what has come to be known as the Henry Ford territory. These included 6 of the 11 from Michigan—a notable change since it was proposed in the house. Since then Mr. Ford's large votes in Michigan and Nebraska have been recorded. All three Republican congressmen from Nebraska were opposed. If this is not a pretty clear indication as to prevailing anti-militarist temper in the middle west, what can be? It is as well refreshing proof that there will be strong forces in both party conventions to throw their influence against the militarist planks of Mr. Roosevelt.'

"This situation makes it advisable to speak with courtesy but with entire frankness of what the success of Mr. Ford means; and is taken to mean, and the forces that have given Mr. Ford his strength. It is in Michigan, Mr. Ford's own state, where the Ford movement began, that I wish to say what I have to say on the subject.

"For Mr. Ford personally, I feel not merely friendship, but in many respects a very genuine admiration. There is much in the methods and very much in the purposes, with which he has conducted his business, notably in his relations to his working people, than commands my hearty sympathy and respect. Moreover, there is always something attractive to an American in the career of a man who has raised himself from the industrial ranks until he is one of the captains of industry.

"But all that I have thus said can with truth be said of many, perhaps of most of the Tories of the Revolutionary war and of many or most of the pacifists of the Civil war, the extremists among whom were popularly known as Copperheads. Many of these Tories and Civil war pacifists were men of fine character and upright purpose, who sincerely believed in the cause they advocated. They included all the men who were the pacifists of their day. These pacifists who formed so large a proportion of the old-time Tories and Copperheads abhorred and denounced the militarism of Washington in 1776 and of Lincoln in 1861. They were against all war and all preparedness for war. In the Revolutionary contest they insisted that Washington was the embodiment of anarchic militarism. Their purpose was to get the 'boys' of Bunker Hill and Valley Forge 'out of the trenches' and bring them back to their homes and make them quit fighting. In 1864 they denounced Lincoln as a military dictator.

Would Ruin This Nation.

"They praised peace as the greatest of all earthly blessings. They demanded that the war should cease, and they wished to get the 'boys' of the Army of the Potomac out of the trenches, before Christmas and bring them back to the farm, the shop and the counting house. If these pacifists of the Revolution and Civil war had had their way they would have put an immediate stop to much suffering and much loss of life. They would have secured immediate peace. They would have averted some years of war. They would have turned men away from military training into the path of ordinary civil occupation. They would have secured the applause of every peace-at-any-price man at

home and abroad. And unwittingly they would have utterly ruined this nation.

"They would have prevented its being a nation. They would have made the countrymen of Lincoln objects of scorn and derision, and they would have made of this great republic a hissing and a by-word among the nations of the earth. They would have rendered it certain in each case that, for the one war they averted at the moment, ten were insured for the years to come.

"They would have piled up an immeasurable load of shame and suffering for their children, and their children's children, not merely unto the third and fourth, but unto the ninth and tenth generations that were to come after them. This is what these good, well-meaning pacifists of those days would have done if they had achieved their purposes. This is what the pacifists of our day, the neo-Tories, the neo-Copperheads, will do if they achieve their purpose.

"Remember, that the pacifists of today, the peace at any price men, however well meaning, are the spiritual and moral heirs of the men who denounced and opposed Washington; of the men who denounced and voted against Abraham Lincoln. We can only be loyal to the souls of Washington and Lincoln, and to the soul of the great people that caught flame from their teachings if we set our faces like flint against the unworthy spirit which today would teach us that peace stands above righteousness, and that this unrighteous peace can be secured by the refusal to prepare to defend our just rights. Either we must surrender our rights, and at the same time our self-respect, or else we must be ready to defend our rights with a hand trained to exercise the weapons of free men, and with a heart steered to that stern courage for the lack of which the possession of the softer virtues can never atone.

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